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1. According to a report by [redacted] in January 1952, based on information given to him by Dr. Florian MUELLER, Ioachim VACARESCU was formerly a school teacher in a village near Caparnese. He has elsewhere been identified as a teacher from the Banat. During 1941-42, according to MUELLER, VACARESCU was sent by the Rumanian Government to Yugoslavia to teach in a school for Rumanian children. The report goes on to state that Subject later became the intermediary through whom CAROL II sent financial aid to Volksdeutsch students at the University of Graz. There is no indication of the date on which Subject left Yugoslavia for Austria. Subject reportedly tried to organize all Rumanian students in Austria, while at the same time concealing the fact that CAROL was the source of his funds. He is said to have received visits from (Major) Georges FLORESCU of Salzburg, who was known as CAROL's liaison man in Austria.
2. Another version of Subject's wartime sojourn in Yugoslavia is given in a 1951 report by [redacted] based on information from [redacted]. In this report, VACARESCU is described as a reserve infantry officer in the Rumanian Army who settled in Yugoslavia in 1942 when he was approximately 33 years of age. In view of Subject's military status at that time, the source believes his departure for Yugoslavia may be accounted for either by desertion from the Rumanian Army or by a mission on behalf of the Germans.
3. The report further states that in 1947 VACARESCU was established in Steiermark. He remained in contact with individuals in Yugoslavia (not

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identified in the report) and often sent packages to Maribor and Lubiana. He was said to live on a lavish scale and was suspected by the Rumanian Volksdeutsch colony of being engaged in large-scale smuggling, particularly of medicines, from Austria to Yugoslavia. In 1951 he had access to the Strass Refugee Camp, located approximately thirty miles from the Yugoslav border. However, despite the fact that access to the Strass Refugee Camp was strictly controlled by the British, [redacted] was of the opinion that Subject was not working directly for the British at that time. It was also noted that Father Vasile LEU, during his stay in Graz in October 1950, was Subject's house guest at #2 Lechgasse.

4. Among VACARESCU's contacts in Graz was a Rumanian woman married to an Austrian named HARVAT (fnm), who claims to be the daughter of General IVASCU. Her close friend was a Mrs. Helen KASKUR, formerly of Cernauti, whom source describes as "an agent of Ivor WAGY at Steiermark." During the latter part of 1950, Mrs. KASKUR and her mother traveled from Graz to Vienna in an automobile which was sent down for them from Vienna, and it is believed that they went to Rumania. During her stay in Graz, Mrs. KASKUR openly advocated the repatriation of Rumanian refugees from Austria to Rumania.
5. An interrogation report of Capt. Nicolae SAVULESCU, who allegedly fled Rumania in August 1951, contains the following passage concerning Subject:

"....I stopped over at Graz where I met Mr. VACARESCU Ioachim, student from Lochgasse No. 2/11, and who together with another student BUKINGER (Volksdeutsch) from Sibiu, recommended me to remain there. Different kinds of citizens from other cities came offering me some of them sweet words, others, money, in order for me to give them information. Mr. VACARESCU explained to me that regardless of how I gave the information it would eventually be sold for good money to American organs of information...VACARESCU told me that BOGDAN was suspected of working for the Communists."

6. An ODOPAL report from Austria dated September 1952 states that Subject was "with the army of Sima" in the internment camp of Dollersheim in 1945. He later became Graz representative of Kurt FUNER and also worked with Karl MERAN from 1945 to 1950. This report calls Subject the chief cutout for LEU and states that he worked for the British FSS, ES COPY

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adding that for some time he has been BODAN's (i.e. Titu CONSTANTINESCU) representative in southern Austria. According to this report, financial aid to Subject for the organizing of Rumanian students in Geras (cf. para. 1 above) came from General RADESCU.

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